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[CHAPTER 507]

AN ACT

July 1, 1940 [H. R. 9453]

[Public, No. 702]

Refining Atlantic Company. Granting of license

Provisos.
Finding by Secretary of War.

Annulment, etc.

To provide a license to the Atlantic Refining Company, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered, under such terms and conditions as are deemed advisable by him, to grant to the Atlantic Refining Company, its successors and/or assigns, a license to construct and maintain a pile dolphin and walkway thereto in the Delaware River at the Fort Mifflin Military Reservation, in the State of Pennsylvania: Provided, That such license shall be granted only upon a finding by the Secretary of War that the same will be in the public interest and will not substantially injure the interest of the United States in the property affected thereby: Provided further, That all or any part of such license may be annulled and forfeited by the Secretary of War if the property is needed for governmental purposes or for failure to comply with the terms or conditions of any grant hereunder, or for nonuse or for abandonment of rights granted under authority hereof.

Approved, July 1, 1940.

[CHAPTER 508]

AN ACT

To expedite the strengthening of the national defense.

July 2, 1940 [H. R. 9850] [Public, No. 703]

National defense.

Construction plants for manufac-ture, etc., of military supplies.

Purchase, etc., of military supplies.

Authority to enter into contracts, etc.

Provisos. Suspension of construction limitations. 10 U. S. C. § 1339; 40 U. S. C. § 267.

Contracts, provisions applicable.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) in order to expedite the building up of the national defense, the Secretary of War is authorized, out of the moneys appropriated for the War Department for national-defense purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941, with or without advertising, (1) to provide for the necessary construction, rehabilitation, conversion, and installation at military posts, depots, stations, or other localities, of plants, buildings, facilities, utilities, and appurtenances thereto (including Government-owned facilities at privately owned plants and the expansion of such plants, and the acquisition of such land, and the purchase or lease of such structures, as may be necessary), for the development, manufacture, maintenance, and storage of military equipment, munitions, and supplies, and for shelter; (2) to provide for the development, purchase, manufacture, shipment, maintenance, and storage of military equipment, munitions, and supplies, and for shelter, at such places and under such conditions as he may deem necessary; and (3) to enter into such contracts (including contracts for educational orders, and for the exchange of deteriorated, unserviceable, obsolescent, or surplus military equipment, munitions, and supplies for other military equipment, munitions, and supplies of which there is a shortage), and to amend or supplement such existing contracts, as he may deem necessary to carry out the purposes specified in this section: Provided, That the limitations contained in sections 1136 and 3734 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, and any statutory limitation with respect to the cost of any individual project of construction, shall be suspended until and including June 30, 1942, with respect to any construction authorized by this Act: Provided further, That no contract entered into pursuant to the provisions of this section which would otherwise be subject to the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to provide conditions for the purchase of supplies and the making of contracts by the United States, and for other purposes", approved June 30, 1936 (49 Stat. 2036; U. S. C., Supp. V,